



Thought of the Week

There are far, far better things ahead than any we leave behind. – CS Lewis

A Message from our Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Many **thanks** to parents and carers for another successful week. Children (and adults) are successfully using the new one way drop off and pick up routines. Your promptness and punctuality at gate times really has helped ensure that our school community can enter and exit the school as safely as possible.

I would like to encourage parents and carers to walk or cycle to school where possible. If you do drive, I would like to remind you of the importance of parking with due care, consideration and safety. Please do not park in residential parking as this creates conflicts with our community and please do not park on double yellow lines or in front of the school entrances or gates as this compromises the safety of our children.

I would also like to thank you for your generosity. Your donations allowed us to collect **£122.24** on Jeans for Genes Day. These donations will be used to fund projects that make a difference to the lives of those living with genetic disorders.

There has been interest in volunteer opportunities in the school and we would love to have parents / carers who could volunteer to read with children. If you are able to make a regular commitment, please do contact the school office.

Wishing our school community a peaceful and restful weekend.

Barbara Ghezzi

Hello, Goodbye

This week we have said goodbye to Miriam McClean who joined us as part of the KickStart programme and has been supporting in EYFS. She will be missed by both children and staff and we wish her the very best for the future.



The Friends of DKH



Children, parents and staff alike enjoyed the Welcome Back Bake Sale last Friday. It was a wonderful opportunity for our school community to reconnect (over cake!) and a chance for The Friends of DKH to do what they do so well. If you are interested in joining The Friends please email friends@dkh.southwark.sch.uk



Bike to School Week

Next week is Bike to School Week. This is a great chance for the whole family to get on their bicycles! Children's bikes can be left in our new bike shed.



Coding is Fun!

[Ignite Hubs](#) are offering **FREE coding classes** for children and young people aged 7 to 18 years old. Children can learn a variety of programming languages such as Scratch, HTML/CSS, Javascript and Python through fun activities and projects. These are remote classes and no prior experience is needed.

Registration for the Autumn term programmes (starting on 21 September, 2021) is now open [here](#).

Closing date to register is 27th September.



“The Saturday club has been a lifeline for my son. He has many friends and looks forward to going. He also uses the trampoline as a release of tension. We would love for this valuable service to continue.”

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Dates for the Diary



01.10.21	Black History Month Begins
06.10.21	Walk to School Day
08.10.21	#Hello Yellow Day
12.10.21	School Council Elections
12.10.21	Year 2 Butterfly Workshop
13.10.21	School Photos (EYFS and sibling photos)
14.10.21	School Photos (Years 1 – 6)
18.10.21	Year 4 choir and drummers at Milton Court
18.10.21	Year 5 Viking Workshop
21.10.21	Year 6 Careers Talk
25.10.21 – 29.10.21	Half Term
02.11.21	Parent Evening – Nursery and Reception
02.11.21	Year 5 session with PC Short
03.11.21	Parent Evening – Cherry and Cedar Class
04.11.21	Parent Evening – Palm and Elder Class
05.11.21	Parent Evening – Beech Class
05.11.21	Year 5 Money Twist Workshop
08.11.21	Maths' Week begins
09.11.21	Parent Evening – Eucalyptus Class
10.11.21	Parent Evening – Sycamore and Hazel Class
11.11.21	Parent Evening – Maple and Elm Class
15.11.21	Anti-Bullying Week begins
15.11.21	Inter-Faith Week begins
17.11.21	Flu vaccinations

Star of the Week!



We would like to recognise the children who have been great examples of our school values and have shown true commitment to their learning. Well done!

Nursery	Cataleya , for being such an enthusiastic learner!
Reception	Grace , for always being a kind and supportive friend.
Cherry	Hannah , for showing she is always ready for her learning with her excellent listening skills.
Elder	Layla , for being such an enthusiastic learner and writing such interesting <i>Not Now Bernard</i> character descriptions.
Palm	Christopher , for making a good effort to work quietly on his work, show good focus and be ambitious
Beech	Maile , for excellent maths' work and showing our school value or resilience.
Eucalyptus	Lansana , for his fantastic listening skills.
Cedar	Mikayla , for her brilliant writing and her desire to improve even more!
Sycamore	Jeremiah , for writing an excellent character description of Grendel!
Hazel	Aarush , for fantastic listening and wonderful behaviour for learning
Elm	Maya , for being incredibly helpful and showing empathy and respect consistently!
Maple	Nathan , for being a great example of our school value of empathy, especially on the playground!

Attendance

Cherry	96.2%	Cedar	91.6%
Elder	93.6%	Sycamore	94.4%
Palm	96.4%	Hazel	97.8%
Beech	97.8%	Elm	94.8%
Eucalyptus	95.7%	Maple	95.3%

Charles's Friday Facts

By Charles, Year 3



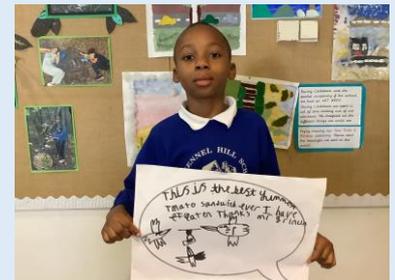
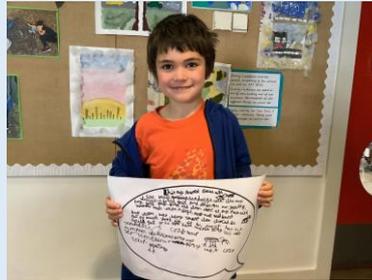
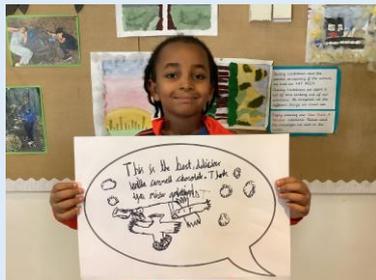
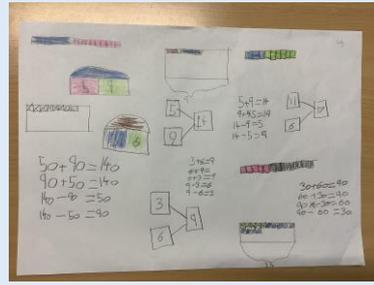
- Did you know that during its lifetime, a shark loses 30,000 teeth?
- Did you know that a starfish has eyes at the end of its arms?



Afghanistan, Dog Kennel Hill Stands With You

The DKH School Community proves time and time again how caring and generous they are. **Thank you** to all our families who have donated to our appeal to support refugees from Afghanistan who have been rehomed in Southwark. We will continue to collect donations of non-perishable food items and toiletries until the end of September.

Years 3 and 4 have had a fantastic week! In maths, they have been working on place value and beginning to focus on addition and subtraction. You can see some excellent representations of number facts on Lily's poster.



In writing, they have been looking at using dialogue and putting their ideas into speech bubbles in preparation for using speech marks in their writing - and their work in drama has helped them understand what they want to say!



Their portraits in art have turned out very well indeed. Look at some of Beech class's self-portraits and pen and ink drawings of Mr Gumm, a character from their reading.



In science, we have been learning all about sound and using musical instruments to demonstrate how different vibrations cause different sounds.